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# BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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### ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was electronically received by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on July 14, 2008. A review of the application revealed that it is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the Examiner to address the following matter(s) requiring attention prior to docketing.

### EXAMINER'S CONSIDERATION OF REPLY BRIEF

A Reply Brief was filed in this application on October 10, 2007 and January 4, 2008. There is no evidence on the record indicating that the Examiner has considered the Reply Briefs in accordance with 37 CFR CFR § 41.43(a)(1) and MPEP § 1208, part II.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner to:

- 1) consider the Reply Briefs filed October 10, 2007, and January 4, 2008, as indicated above: and
  - 2) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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